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Serial No. : 09/849,398

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For : EXCITATION VECTOR GENERATOR, SPEECH CODER AND SPEECH DECODER

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 in the above-captioned application.

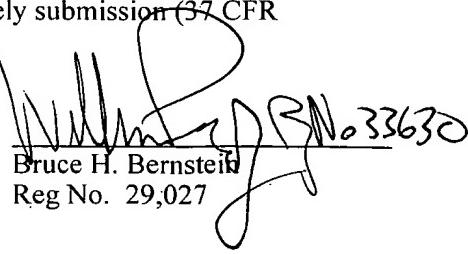
- Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- A Request for Extension of Time.
- No Additional Fee.

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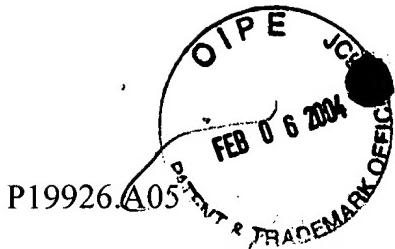
Claims After Amendment	No. Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
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Indep. Claims: 5	**5	0	x 43=	\$	x 86=	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			145=	\$	+290=	\$ 0.00
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Sir :

In response to the Official Action of October 6, 2003, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 6, 2004, which has been extended, by the herein enclosed Request for Extension of Time, to expire on February 6, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained remarks:

**Remarks begin on page 2 of this Response.**